

Millsboro Man Arrested on Felony Charges After Altercation- Millsboro

Millsboro, DE- Delaware State Police arrested **Jacob D. Burke, 53, of Millsboro**, on felony DUI and criminal charges following an incident Sunday evening.

On August 22, 2021, at approximately 6:27 p.m., troopers were dispatched to the McDonalds located at 25910 Plaza Drive, Millsboro, for a report of a disorderly person. The investigation determined Jacob D. Burke was acting disorderly in the drive-thru lane of Mcdonald's when he was contacted by a male and female patron about his behavior. As the individuals returned to their vehicle, Burke exited his vehicle carrying a large fixed blade knife and approached them as they sat in their vehicle. The male exited the car and tried speaking with Burke while telling him to drop the knife. Burke eventually dropped the knife and then struck the male in the arm but did not cause any injury. He then retrieved the knife from the ground, returned to his vehicle, and fled the area. A trooper responding to the scene observed Burke traveling eastbound on John J. Williams Highway (SR 24) in the area of Angola Road and initiated a car stop on his vehicle. Burke turned right into the Lighthouse Baptist Church parking lot located at 21265 John J. Williams Highway and immediately exited his vehicle. The trooper observed a pocket knife in Burke's pocket and gave multiple commands to Burke, but he failed to comply. Burke eventually threw the pocket knife in his possession and was taken into custody after a brief struggle with the trooper. A strong odor of alcohol was detected emitting from Burke, and a DUI investigation ensued. Located in Burke's vehicle was a fixed blade knife with a six-inch blade, and the pocket knife he threw was located by troopers. A computer inquiry was conducted and determined

Burke had three previous DUI convictions.

Burke was transported to Delaware State Police Troop 7, and charged with the following crimes:

- Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
- 4th Offense Driving Under the Influence (Felony)
- Aggravated Menacing (Felony)
- Resisting Arrest
- Driving While Suspended
- Offensive Touching
- Disorderly Conduct

Burke was arraigned in the Justice of the Peace Court #3 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on a \$41,150.00 cash bond.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of a crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll-free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at Debra.Reed@delaware.gov.

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